The Urban District Council

OF

MARKET RASEN.

REPORT

OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,

FOR THE YEAR 1908.

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council.

GENTLEMEN,

I herewith present my Annual Report upon the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Urban District for the year 1908.

Statistical tables are appended, which give tabular statements of Births and Deaths for the year 1908, and of Infectious Diseases notified.

The Population I estimate at 2208.

The number of Births registered was 50. This gives a Birth Rate of 22·6 per 1000.

The Deaths numbered 46, which gives a Death Rate of 20·8 per 1000.

There were nine deaths of Infants under one year of age, this gives an Infantile Death Rate of 180 per 1000 births. From the appended table No. V., it will be seen that the cause in three cases was premature birth, in two cases Whooping Cough, one case of Diarrhœa, one of Marasmus, one of Bronchitis, and one of Convulsions. The cause of death in all these cases may be accepted as natural and practically unpreventable. Out of a total of 46 deaths, nine were under one year, and 26 were over 65.

I am pleased to state that there were only two deaths from Tuberculous Disease. If the precautions and treatments which are now prescribed are properly carried out, I feel sure that cases of a Tuberculous nature will become as rare as Small Pox is in those countries where Vaccination is compulsory to all.

There were no deaths from Zymotic Diseases.

Three cases of Diptheria were notified during the year.

The Water Supply has been ample in quantity and good in quality during the year.

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The Sanitary arrangements are satisfactory.

I have not found it necessary to take any action under the Factory and Workshops Act.

I advise that an arrangement should be made for the early isolation of all Infectious cases which are of a serious nature, as by this means alone the spread of these diseases can be checked.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

FRANCIS W. JACKSON.